DCI/IC 74-0983

MEMORANDUM FOR: Director of Central Intelligence

SUBJECT   :   DCID 1/11, Security Committee

1.   Responding to an IC report on "Intelligence Community Security Problems," dated 24 September 1973, and a suggested revision of DCID 1/11 which would expand responsibilities of the Security Committee, the DCI on 7 November 1973 tasked the Security Committee chairman to prepare a revised DCID 1/11 for submission to the USIB.

2.   The Security Committee prepared such a DCID, with which all committee members concurred. When the Office of Security sought CIA coordination, however, the DDI on 14 February 1974 recommended a "thorough reconsideration of the scope of the reconstituted committee with a view to confining it to the traditional security topics." He also noted some "inconsistency between the statements of missions and functions" and indicated he had problems with "those portions of the charter which deal with compartmentation."

3.   General Graham and Dr. Proctor have since discussed the problem of expanding Security Committee responsibilities and have no basic differences as to the need to strengthen the USIB mechanism which supports the DCI on a wide range of security matters and particularly on security policy issues. They agreed that the key initial task should be to identify an appropriately qualified officer to become the full-time chairman of a reconstituted Security Committee. Such a chairman should have a background which includes consumer and intelligence analyst orientation as well as a knowledge of security matters. The Security Committee would be composed, as now, of representatives of the various USIB agencies.

4.   In addition to the reconstituted Security Committee, it is proposed that a USIB level "Executive Panel" be established, consisting of the State, DIA and CIA USIB Members or their

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immediate deputies. This "Executive Panel" would provide
policy guidance on the full range of security issues and, in
particular, on that concerned with the exchange of intelli-
gence with foreign governments. These individuals would be
in the best position to provide such guidance because they
are the most knowledgeable about and sensitive to US foreign,
military and intelligence policy and relations with foreign
governments.

5.   A list of possible CIA candidates for selection as
chairman has been discussed with John F. Blake, A/DDXAS, and
25X1A [   ] acting Security Committee Chairman. No contact
has been made with any of the persons listed below pending
discussion with you.

   a.   If a CIA officer is to be selected as full-
   time chairman of the new Security Committee it would be
   preferable that he be an officer still on active duty.
   No names are proposed since it is considered you will
   be the best judge as to the relative value of having
   one of your senior personnel relieved of his present
   assignment to take over the Security Committee.

   b.   If for some reason no one presently on board
   is available, you might consider contract employment of
25X1A someone such as [   ] If you elect this route,
   one of the following recently retired CIA officials
   might be recruited to serve as chairman on a two or
   three days per week basis:

                    Lawrence Houston
                    William Broe
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                    Jack Smith

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6.   It is suggested that you raise at an early USIB
meeting the subject of selection of a chairman for a Security
Committee with responsibilities considerably expanded from
those of the present committee, and invite nominations for
consideration.

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7.   Attached is the proposed new DCID 1/11 which it is
recommended the officer selected to chair the Security
Committee be tasked to review from the standpoint of its
adequacy to support him in responding to the security policy
and other security needs of the USIB and the DCI, and to
then submit it to the USIB for approval. This draft includes
revision of the mission and functions sections previously
approved by the Security Committee to eliminate what were
considered to be inconsistencies, but does not change the
substance of what the Security Committee draft contained.

8.   An early opportunity to discuss with you the
appointment of the Security Committee chairman is requested.

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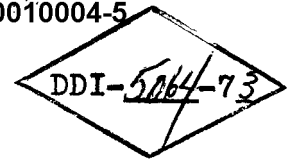   1 - AD/DCI/IC
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MEMORANDUM FOR: Deputy Director for Intelligence

SUBJECT : 19 November 1973 Redraft of DCID 1/11

25X1A   1. As you recall, [   ] was ready to present a draft of DCID 1/11 Security Committee at the pre-USIB meeting of 7 November 1973. There were some issues of concern and the result was that the Director of Central Intelligence approved [   ] 25X1A recommendation that the paper be taken off the 8 November 1973 USIB agenda and remanded to the Security Committee for review and resubmission to USIB.

2. The Security Committee considered the first draft at its November meeting and observed that there was further work to be done on it. The Director of Security, CIA, was tasked with preparing a revision. He in turn gave it to me. The revision is attached with a date of 19 November 1973. On 30 November, the Director of Security approved my recommendation that we disseminate this version to those in the Agency who commented on the first draft before taking it back to the Security Committee.

3. I have already been in touch with [   ] He suggested shortening the statement of missions and noted that this revision introduces specific mention of releases of intelligence to foreign governments and review of compartmented procedures.   25X1A

4. In order to keep the DCID 1/11 at least as short as it is but at the same time to try to accommodate the widely held opinion that the DCID 1/11 should provide more specific statements on the TSCC, computer security and compartmentation matters, it is considered that we should make these additional statements as attachments to the basic DCID 1/11.
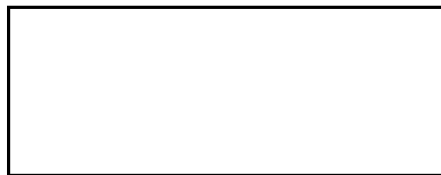
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5. Your comments on the 19 November 1973 revision and the ideas in paragraph four above would be appreciated.

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Chief, Special Security Center

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DIRECTOR OF CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE DIRECTIVE NO. 1/11
(Attachment 2)
Computer Security

The functions of the Security Committee include:

(1) To review, formulate and recommend to the DCI policies, standards, and procedures to protect intelligence data stored or processed by computer.

(2) To advise and assist the DCI, the Intelligence Community Staff, Committees of the United States Intelligence Board, USIB member agencies and departments, and other intelligence users with respect to all computer security issues and to resolve conflicts that may arise in connection therewith.

(3) To formulate and recommend to the DCI resource programming objectives for USIB departments and agencies in the field of computer security in consideration of current and foreseen vulnerabilities and threats and with regard for the effective and efficient use of resources; to foster and to monitor an aggressive program of computer security research and development in the Intelligence Community in order to avoid unwarranted duplication and to assure the pursuit of an effective effort at resolving technical problems associated with the protection of computer operations.

(4) To coordinate all aspects of Intelligence Community efforts in defense against hostile penetration of Community computer systems and as feasible to support other Government and national efforts aimed at improving computer security technology; to foster a coordinated program of Intelligence Community computer security training and indoctrination.

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(5) To facilitate within the Intelligence Community the exchange of information relating to computer security threats, vulnerabilities, and countermeasures by providing a focal point for the evaluation of foreign intentions and capabilities to exploit Community computer operations, for central notification of hostile exploitation attempts, for the preparation of damage assessments of incidents of foreign exploitation of intelligence computer operations, and for the formulation of Community policy on the release of computer security information to foreign governments and international organizations.

(6) To review, formulate and recommend minimum computer security standards, procedures and criteria as guidance for system design, evaluation and certification of acceptable levels of security for computer systems.

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